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IN THE CLAIMS:

1.-41. (Canceled)

42. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least one of video or character information of programs, comprising:

a menu-grid display controller to display a menu of at least present and future programs for a plurality of channels in a grid;

an omission display controller which is located in the receiver and compares a decoded character data amount with a data amount which can be displayed in a first prescribed zone to determine whether a number of characters in the received character information of the particular extended program is larger than a number of characters which can be displayed in a the first prescribed zone indicative of a prescribed time period of the grid, and omits a part of a character information of a particular extended program when a number of characters in the received character information of the particular extended program is larger than a number of characters which can be displayed in a first prescribed zone indicative of a prescribed time period of the grid, at least when the particular extended program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone of the grid, wherein the omission display controller adds an omission symbol to a remaining part of the character information of the particular extended program from which a part was omitted when displaying the remaining part of the character information of the particular extended program from which a part was omitted in the first prescribed zone in the grid;

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a full display controller which is located in the receiver and displays, in response to a predetermined selection of a selected particular extended program, an entirety of the character information of the selected particular extended program, and a program time information of the selected particular extended program in a second prescribed zone displayed together with the grid, at least when the particular extended program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone in the grid; and,

a display change controller which is located in the receiver and changes a particular background information block when the particular background information block cannot be displayed in full in the first prescribed zone indicative of the prescribed time period of the grid.

43. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 42, comprising a judge controller to judge whether a number of characters in the character information of the particular extended program is larger than the number of characters which can be displayed in the first prescribed zone.

44. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 42, comprising a select controller which selects the character information of the particular extended program from a plurality of character information.

45. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 42, comprising a judge controller to judge whether a background information block

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indicative of program time can be displayed in full in the first prescribed zone of the grid.

46. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 42, comprising a select controller which selects a shape of the particular background information block indicative of program time from a plurality of shapes of background information blocks indicative of program time.

47. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 42, wherein the character information of the particular extended program is a title of the particular extended program.

48. (Currently Amended) A digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least one of video or character information of programs, comprising:

a menu-grid display controller to display a menu of at least present and future programs for a plurality of channels in a grid;

an extended program display controller which is located in the receiver and compares a decoded character data amount with a data amount which can be displayed in a first prescribed zone to determine whether a number of characters in received character information of a particular extended program is larger than a number of characters which can be displayed in a-the first prescribed zone indicative of a prescribed time period of the grid, and omits a part of a character information of a particular extended program, adds an omission symbol to a remaining part of the character information of the particular extended program, and changes a particular

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background information block characteristic, when the particular background information block of the particular extended program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone in the grid; and,

a full display controller which is located in the receiver and displays, in response to a predetermined selection of a selected particular extended program, an entirety of the character information of the selected particular extended program, and a program time information of the selected particular extended program in a second prescribed zone displayed together with the grid, at least when the particular extended program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone in the grid.

49. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 48, comprising a judge controller to judge whether a number of characters in the character information of the particular extended program is larger than the number of characters which can be displayed in the first prescribed zone.

50. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 48, comprising a select controller which selects the character information of the particular extended program from a plurality of character information.

51. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 48, comprising a judge controller to judge whether a background information block indicative of program time can be displayed in full in the first prescribed zone of the grid.

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52. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 48, comprising a select controller which selects a shape of the particular background information block indicative of program time from a plurality of shapes of background information blocks indicative of program time, as the change in the particular background information block characteristic.

53. (Previously Presented) A digital broadcasting receiver according to claim 48, wherein the character information of the particular extended program is a title of the particular extended program.

54. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

- a display; and,
- a digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least one of video or character information of programs, the digital broadcasting receiver including:
 - a menu-grid display controller to display a menu of at least present and future programs for a plurality of channels in a grid;
 - an omission display controller which is located in the receiver and compares a decoded character data amount with a data amount which can be displayed in a first prescribed zone to determine whether a number of characters in the received character information of the particular extended program is larger than a number of characters which can be displayed in a-the first prescribed zone indicative of a prescribed time period of the grid, and omits a part of a character

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information of a particular extended program when a number of characters in the received character information of the particular extended program is larger than a number of characters which can be displayed in a first prescribed zone indicative of a prescribed time period of the grid, at least when the particular extended program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone of the grid, wherein the omission display controller adds an omission symbol to a remaining part of the character information of the particular extended program from which a part was omitted when displaying the remaining part of the character information of the particular extended program from which a part was omitted in the first prescribed zone in the grid;

a full display controller which is located in the receiver and displays, in response to a predetermined selection of a selected particular extended program, an entirety of the character information of the selected particular extended program, and a program time information of the selected particular extended program in a second prescribed zone displayed together with the grid, at least when the particular extended program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone in the grid; and,

a display change controller which is located in the receiver and changes a particular background information block when the particular background information block cannot be displayed in full in the first prescribed zone indicative of the prescribed time period of the grid.

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55. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 54, wherein the digital broadcasting receiver comprising a judge controller to judge whether a number of characters in the character information of the particular extended program is larger than the number of characters which can be displayed in the first prescribed zone.

56. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 54, wherein the digital broadcasting receiver comprising a select controller which selects the character information of the particular extended program from a plurality of character information.

57. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 54, wherein the digital broadcasting receiver comprising a judge controller to judge whether a background information block indicative of program time can be displayed in full in the first prescribed zone of the grid.

58. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 54, wherein the digital broadcasting receiver comprising a select controller which selects a shape of the particular background information block indicative of program time from a plurality of shapes of background information blocks indicative of program time.

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59. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 54, wherein the character information of the particular extended program is a title of the particular extended program.

60. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a display; and,

a digital broadcasting receiver which displays at least one of video or character information of programs, the digital broadcasting receiver including:

a menu-grid display controller to display a menu of at least present and future programs for a plurality of channels in a grid;

an extended program display controller which is located in the receiver and compares a decoded character data amount with a data amount which can be displayed in a first prescribed zone to determine whether a number of characters in received character information of a particular extended program is larger than a number of characters which can be displayed in a ~~the~~ first prescribed zone indicative of a prescribed time period of the grid, and omits a part of a character information of a particular extended program, adds an omission symbol to a remaining part of the character information of the particular extended program, and changes a particular background information block characteristic, when the particular background information block of the particular extended program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone in the grid; and,

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a full display controller which is located in the receiver and displays, in response to a predetermined selection of a selected particular extended program, an entirety of the character information of the selected particular extended program, and a program time information of the selected particular extended program in a second prescribed zone displayed together with the grid, at least when the particular extended program exceeds the prescribed time period of the first prescribed zone in the grid.

61. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 60, wherein the digital broadcasting receiver comprising a judge controller to judge whether a number of characters in the character information of the particular extended program is larger than the number of characters which can be displayed in the first prescribed zone.

62. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 60, wherein the digital broadcasting receiver comprising a select controller which selects the character information of the particular extended program from a plurality of character information.

63. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 60, wherein the digital broadcasting receiver comprising a judge controller to judge whether a background information block indicative of program time can be displayed in full in the first prescribed zone of the grid.

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64. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 60, wherein the digital broadcasting receiver comprising a select controller which selects a shape of the particular background information block indicative of program time from a plurality of shapes of background information blocks indicative of program time, as the change in the particular background information block characteristic.

65. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 60, wherein the character information of the particular extended program is a title of the particular extended program.